

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: November 25, 1963

FROM : C. D. DeLoach

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF THE PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY

SAC Shanklin called from Dallas at approximately 10:00 a.m. He stated that John Harris of the "Hearst Headline News Service" had called and indicated that the "Dallas Times Herald" had picked up a story indicating that the FBI had received an anonymous telephone call early on 11-24-63 reflecting that Lee Harvey Oswald would be killed. Harris wanted to know if this was correct. I told Shanklin to make no comment until I got back in touch with him.

This matter was discussed with Mr. Belmont and cleared with the Director. I called Shanklin back at 10:15 a.m. and told him that in view of the fact that the Sheriff's Office or Police Department had "leaked" this matter, Shanklin should immediately call Harris back and also answer any further inquiries along the lines of affirming the fact that we did receive an anonymous telephone call and that we immediately notified the Police Department and the Sheriff's Office.

ACTION:

Shanklin stated he would handle this matter immediately.

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Jones
- 1 - Mr. Morrell

CDD:saj
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ADDENDUM:(REW:saj):11-25-63: Shanklin called back again at 11:00 a.m. today stating that the Hearst people are the only news folks currently having this story, however, Sheriff Decker has told Hearst that, yes, the FBI did call us and also called the Police Department about the anonymous call. In other words, the Sheriff is freely admitting prior knowledge given by the FBI on the matter. Shanklin was told he should merely confirm henceforth this fact and refer callers to both Sheriff Bill Decker and the responsible official in the Police Department we had notified originally.

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